

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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O R 080930Z APR 76  
FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1450  
INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA  
AMCONSUL ASMARA  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 0988

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, ETHN SU  
SUBJECT: CISCO 3

REF: STATE 82759; KHARTOUM 974

1. HAVING EXTENDED INVITATION TO PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY  
SPEAKER BAKR TO VISIT WASHINGTON BRIEFLY PER STATE 082713,  
I NOTED HE WOULD BE PARTICULARLY WELL RECEIVED ON THE HILL  
IF ALL AMERICAN HOSTAGES IN ERITREA HAD BY THAT TIME  
BEEN FREED THROUGH SUDANESE GOOD OFFICES. BAKR IMMEDIATELY  
RESPONDED THAT HE KNEW OSMAN SALEH SABBE WELL,  
THOUGHT HE MIGHT STILL BE IN KHARTOUM AND VOLUNTEERED CALL  
HIM UP ON MATTER. I TOLD BAKR WE WOULD OF COURSE APPRECIATE  
ANYTHING CONSTRUCTIVE THAT COULD BE DONE TO SPEED RELEASE OF OUR  
CITIZENS BUT THAT SABBE, WHILE PERSONALLY FAVORING RELEASE  
CISCO II, SEEMED TO LACK AUTHORITY TO BRING IT ABOUT.  
NEVERTHELESS, IF SABBE COULD BE REACHED HE  
COULD PERHAPS EXPLAIN WHY THERE HAD BEEN SUCH DELAY IN  
RELEASE OF CAMPBELL AND HARRELL. BAKR INDICATED HE WOULD  
TRY AND CONTACT SABBE IF HE STILL IN KHARTOUM AND WOULD  
PASS ON TO US ANY INFO WHICH HE MIGHT OBTAIN.

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2. COMMENT. SABBE IS SPENT FORCE AS FAR AS RELEASE HOSTAGES  
CONCERNED AND IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER HE STILL IN KHARTOUM.  
HOWEVER, IF BAKR CONTACTS HIM, WE MAY AT LEAST LEARN A  
LITTLE MORE ABOUT REASONS FOR CURRENT DELAY IN RELEASE  
CISCO II.  
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